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PANTHERS WILL FREE HUEY



EDITOR'S NOTE:

Because of limited space in this special "Extra Edition," the Black Panther Party's pocket lawyer is omitted from this issue

Detailed story and photos of National Headquarters sabotage in next issue

HUEY'S STATEMENT ON RACIST VERDICT

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The question has been asked; what I think of the verdict of the jury. I think the verdict reflected the racism that exists here in America, and that all Black People are subjected to. Some specific things I would like to say about certain people on the jury: first, Brother Harper and other members of the jury who believed in my innocence owed an obligation to me and the Black Community to adhere to their convictions that I was not guilty. I am sure that they, the people on the jury who agreed with Brother Harper (a strong man and also jury foreman), were in the minority. I believe that Brother Harper was interested in doing the best thing for my welfare. I think that the verdict was a compromise verdict; a compromise between a first degree murder and an acquittal or not guilty. Why did Brother Harper compromise? He compromised because he truly believed that it was in my best interest. Mr. Harper made his decision based on the assumption that if a hung jury resulted, I would be tried on the next trial by an all-white jury and possibly convicted of first-degree murder. I believe that he based his action or his decision upon the fact that he saw how racist the majority of the jury was acting, and their whole attitude towards the case. I believe that there were few people joining Brother Harper and his just conclusion that I was innocent, and that I am innocent, but he did compromise. Because Harper failed to persuade the jury, or he felt that he could not persuade them or show them the truth or the fact that I was innocent, he thought that he would then give the lowest possible sentence. He might have considered that I had been in jail for the last 10 months and that I might be in jail for another 10 months awaiting a new trial and then stand the possibility of having the first-degree murder conviction stand, simply because of the racism that exists here in America. These are all my speculations and I will tell you why I speculate these things later on while I have this conversation with you.

Brother Harper, like many people, believes that on a manslaughter charge, you would spend maybe 2 years or 3 years at the most in the state penitentiary, and further, that due to the fact that I have already been in jail for one year, that while waiting trial another year as a result of a hung jury, I would already serve a time and even more so therefore, because he couldn't get an acquittal, he then chose to compromise and get the lowest sentence. The only problem with that, though, is that in a political case, the defendant is subject to do the maximum length of time. The sentence on a manslaughter charge with a prior felony conviction is from 2 to 15 years in the state penitentiary and I am sure that if I have to do this time, that I will do every day of that 15 years. But, I don't believe that Brother Harper had any idea of what he was doing, so therefore, I want to sincerely ask the black community and Brother Harper's son to forgive not only him, but also the other people who believed in my innocence, and who were compromising because they did not know what they were doing. I believe that they thought they were doing the best thing in my interest, and the best thing in the interest of the Black Community, under the racist circumstances wherein which they had to operate.

The second point that I want to bring out is the reason that I am sure that this was a compromise verdict. I am sure because the verdict was obviously inconsistent with the evidence given. The possible verdict was guilty on the first degree, guilty on the second degree, or guilty on the manslaughter charge; or guilty on a prior felony conviction of assault with a deadly weapon; or not guilty on one or all of these charges. Now there was absolutely no evidence to find me guilty of first or second degree murder or any of the charges, as a matter of fact. But there are some people, the racists on the jury, the percentage of the racists, who lay in wait to do harm to a Black Man, as they lie in wait to do harm to the Black Community in general. So, facing this, the foreman, Brother Harper had to make a decision and perhaps he figured that on the next jury, that even if they allowed us one Black Man that he would not be as strong as he himself was. However, I am not in agreement with him. I would much rather have a hung jury and take my chances on being convicted or acquitted on a first degree murder charge because at least then I would feel that Harper fulfilled his obligation to the Black Community. Even though he was unknowingly operating against it, he felt that he was acting in the capacity of one who loves the Community. Therefore, I am asking the Community that in the event that he teaches at Oakland City College next semester, that he be given all respect due to a Black Man because he did not know what he was compromising to. Now I want to discuss the reason why the verdict doesn't make any sense. It doesn't make sense because in the first place,



the judge instructed the jury that if they found me guilty of a prior felony conviction that they would have to automatically find me guilty of a second degree murder charge. In other words, they would satisfy their minds that I was guilty of a crime of homocide on any level, and if they found that I was guilty of a prior felony conviction, it would have to be second degree murder at the minimum, and manslaughter would automatically be out of order and inconsistent. As you know, the jury found me guilty of a prior felony conviction and yet, they did not find me guilty of a second degree murder charge. Another point too, of course, murder someone with the gun you have. The judge's order was that a verdict of guilty to a prior felony charge involving a gun, now automatically makes it a homocide in the second degree. Now because they said or concluded that I was guilty of manslaughter, that means that at some point, I was in possession of a gun. So therefore, it Would be consistent for them to find me guilty of a manslaughter charge in relation to the other verdict that they passed on the past felony conviction, so that apparently it appeared to some people that I was guilty. Others said that I was innocent and they decided that Brother Harper probably engineered it that they would compromise to a manslaughter charge, the lowest possible sentence in this particular case in order not to have a hung jury.

This is generally my feeling towards the verdict-- that the verdict was a result of racism and a Black Man compromising with the racism simply because he found no other alternative or an alternative that he felt would be beneficial to me even though he was wrong on this. Now the other thing is concerning the whole jury selection. Blacks were, of course, systematically excluded from the jury and part of the reason this happened was because of the lack of conscientiousness on the part of the Black Community. The reason I saw this is because the Black Community or black people who are perspective jurors have an obligation to see that Black Man are not convicted in this racist court. Now many Black people got on the stand or the jury seat and said that they did not believe in capital punishment. On the other hand, the white people would get on the stand and say that they were not for it but would possibly give it in an extreme case, knowing all the time that they would send a Black Man to the gas chamber quicker than they would smash a fly.

That is the responsibility of the community and I think that we must educate the community so that they will know how to answer when they are pleasured enough to be perspective jurors in the case of a black defendant.

We should be in preparation for the revolution and the preparation days is to lift the conscientiousness of the community. This case has lifted the conscientiousness of a million people and we must carry on the political education. I merely introduced to the racist structure of the court as they already know, but it even drew more of a picture in the black community. We should use this as a springboard. Circulate our Paper in the community so that we can teach our people how to react in court and what obligations they have to the defendant and lift their conscientiousness so that we can prepare ourselves in our destiny and the institutions within our community. The prosecution Jensen has already stated he is going to oppose bail and oppose probation; now in fact I have already spent 11 months in jail and in fighting all the way through the appellate courts all the way to the supreme court will take approximately 2 years so that would mean that even if they reverse the decisions and I would go to prison and I would do 3 years, and that is about the length of time that one does on a manslaughter anyway, but the establishement has it in store for me to do the full 15 years and this is why it is so important to mobilize the community to put pressure on the establishment--just as they put pressure on the court even though they didn't give us justice. But they felt the effect and wrath of the people because the people had voted me not guilty and had given me justice, the courts knew this; even the racists knew this so they had to compromise. Now Jensen had stated in the Chronicle that I am guilty of killing a policeman so therefore, I should not get bail or probation. At the same time, the judge or the jury in this case, they have convicted me of manslaughter, signifying that by their standards I am guilty. ,I am not guilty, though.. They indicated that even if I am guilty I was provoked and that there were certain menacing circumstances. This is by the jury's own standards and this is the racist in the jury that they had to compromise to this because the pressure that was put on the face world wide scale, I think we had an indication of what will happen if we don't start fighting harder even. We have just started fighting and now we must fight to the finish and the finish will be when all black men are freed from jails and prisons in this racist country. Freed because they have suffered just as I have suffered an injustice, and if black men let the establishment get away with this crime, they will only go on convicting innocent black men. At this time we must fight on a political level and on a judicial level, we must influence the courtroom and we can do this by uniting and for black people and for all revolutionary people black and white, to send letters into the court and escalate the propaganda throughout the world so we will expose the hypocrisy of the judicial system. That we do not get equal justice for all and that we must draw an end to the injustice for black people. I am very sure that we will be very successful and that we will get a new trial not because of the kindness that the appellate courts will show us but because of the political pressure that we have applied to the establishment and we will do this by organizing the community so that they can display their will. The will of the black people must be done and I would like to compliment the people on the revolutionary fervor that they have shown thus far. They have been very beautiful and they have exceeded my expectations. Let us go on outdoing ourselves, a revolutionary man always transcends himself or otherwise he is not a revolutionary man, so we always do what we ask of ourselves or more than what we know we can do. We have the people behind us that we are always successful, the people collectively. At this time I would like to admonish my revolutionary brothers and sisters to use restraint and that we would not show violent eruption at this time for the reason that the establishment would like to see a violence occur in the community so that they will have an excuse to send in 7000 or 8000 troops. The mayor has already stated that he would be very happy if something were to happen in the community while the establishment is in a favorable situation. They would like to wipe the community out. We would not give them the chance that no one forces us to do anything that we choose our time and now is the time for us to get out in the community and educate our people so that the community will become a political school within itself, and it is up to the VANGUARD PARTY to protect the community and teach the community to protect itself and therefore at this time we should admonish the community to use restraint and not to open ourselves for destruction.

POWER TO ALL THE PEOPLE,
BLACK POWER TO BLACK PEOPLE,
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD.

panthers move internationally



PANTHERS STANDING IN FRONT OF U.N. AFTER VISITING SEVERAL DELEGATIONS OF REVOLUTIONARY COUNTRIES

FREE HUEY AT THE U.N.

The Central Committee of the Black Panther Party has called this press conference to alert the American people, the people of the world, and particularly the oppressed and colonized people of the world, to an already dangerous situation which is rapidly deteriorating. A situation now exists in Oakland, California, which is on the verge of plunging the United States of America into a bloody Civil War.

As we sit here in this room, the racist imperialist power structure of the State of California is preparing to resume the trial of Huey P. Newton, Minister of Defense and leader of the Black Panther Party on framed-up charges of murdering an Oakland policeman. As the founder and leader of the Black Panther Party, Huey P. Newton has been the victim of constant harassment and persecution by the racist political police of the State of California, particularly the police of Oakland, California. Brother Huey is now being held, without bail, in a special torture cell in the Alameda County Jail, at 12th and Fallon Street, Oakland, California.

Huey P. Newton is not guilty of any crime. Before his arrest, Huey P. Newton's life was totally dedicated to the liberation of his people, the colonized black people of the United States. From his cell on Death Row, Minister of Defense Huey P. Newton continues to keep faith with the struggle of his people and has become a national shining symbol and rallying point in the determined struggle of black people for their national liberation.

The persecution of Huey P. Newton is the latest example of the blind, desperate attempt of the racist, imperialist power structure of the United States to choke off and kill the thirst of black people for their freedom. The United States, which is waging a genocidal war of aggression against the Vietnamese people, is also waging a war against the colonized black people within her own borders. Because Huey P. Newton stood up to oppose and denounce the imperialist aggression of the United States in international affairs and the vicious oppression of black people in the domestic areas, he has been singled out for silencing by the power structure.

Against this attempt to silence Huey P. Newton, the Black Panther Party demands that he be set free. And we wish to make it very clear that if he is not set free, there is little hope of avoiding an open armed war in the streets of California and of preventing it from sweeping across this nation. Black people are in no mood to allow this racist power structure to add Huey P. Newton's blood to the blood of the people of the world which is now dripping from the fingers of the racist imperialist who have plunged the entire world into a nightmare of misery.

The Black Panther Party feels that it has a duty to issue this warning to the world because if the United States erupts in a bloody Civil War the entire world will ultimately become involved. We call upon the people of the world, especially the oppressed and colonized people, to organize demonstrations before the embassies, consulates, and property of the imperialist exploiters of the United States whenever they have access to such installations and property, to show and manifest solidarity with Huey P. Newton and the black liberation struggle in the United States and the determination of black people to free our brother and leader from the clutches of these barbaric madmen who will stop at nothing to continue their strangle-hold upon the oppressed people of the world.

We call upon the member nations of the United Nations to authorize the stationing of UN Observer Teams throughout the cities of America wherein black people are cooped up and concentrated in wretched ghettos. This action is necessary because the racist power structure of this imperialist country is preparing to unleash a war of genocide against her black colonial subjects. Black people, on the other hand, are determined to resist this aggression by any means necessary, including revolutionary armed struggle. The hour of showdown for racist-imperialist America has dawned. The case of Huey P. Newton will be the spark that will set this showdown in motion.

July 24, 1968



IMPERIALIST!

The current imperialist, expansionist, racist war in Vietnam is an extension of this same aforementioned policy. When Madame Ngo Dinh Nhu visited this country in 1964, during the time U.S. interests assassinated her husband, she was unable to pay for her exorbitant hotel bill at the Beverly Hilton, her tab was picked up by a Hollywood personality who early in 1967 went on an extensive speaking tour of the U.S. college campuses speaking in favor of the war in Vietnam. Speaking with full support of U.S. expansionist policy in Vietnam (a subject which his role as a public figure has no ostensible connection). His name -- ART LINKLETTER -- his political connection with the war: one of the largest foreign landholders in south Vietnam. This is classic imperialism. Imperialism exists through the exploitation of the underdeveloped countries of the world. The underdeveloped countries of the world are all non-white. Therefore imperialism and racism are one in the same.

Twenty years ago the statement of the Standard Oil treasure was in essence correct. But that ain't not not no mo. The United States of America ain't got a dime. As recent events on the international monetary market will attest to. Why did the international monetary fund (in which the U.S. is the dominant influence) recently vote to accept as a temporary standard paper gold? This course of events was brought about by a hundred years or more of the United States burglarizing virtually every non-white nation of the planet. In payment they gave them U.S. credits. Which essentially implies, "don't worry bout a thing jack; as long as I'm in your debt, you'll never be broke." This policy had to be accepted for in addition to the threat of the U.S. Marines; the U.S. was the sole supplier of all the needs of these raped nations. Now with the advent of The Peoples' Republic of China on the scene as an alternative supplier of essential goods, the United States is no longer in a coercive position. The non-white nations can now go to China to procure their needs. This freed them from the strings which had forcibly attached them to the United States. So the next logical course of action was to demand payment on their U.S. Credits. Having to make these payments in addition to the expense of supporting occupying armies all over the world, depleted the gold reserves of the United States Government. So, again, the U.S. ain't got a dime. this same process broke every major empire in the recorded history of the world, from the Romans to the recent demise of the British Empire, punctuated with the devaluation of the pound sterling, in the early part of 1968. And as quiet as it's kept, this is the secondary reason for the United States support of the racist, oppressive, government of pigs now (but not for long) in The Union of South Africa, for the white minority in that country controls the most productive gold mines in the world today.

So the pigs can be expected to support the pigs. But the sun has set on the day of the pig, and there is a new dawn on the horizon and the day it proceeds is again, Black and beautiful.

WHAT IS A PIG?

A low natured beast that has no regard for law, justice, or the rights of the people; a creature that bites the hand that feeds it; a foul depraved traducer, usually found masquerading as the victim of an unprovoked attack.



FREE HUEY NEWTON!

Appeal for the Freedom of Huey Newton

Shot, imprisoned and held incommunicado for over nine months, Huey Newton resists and reaffirms his resolve to fight. The founder and Minister of Defense of the Black Panther Party for Self-Defense is now the center of the physical elimination plots of the U.S. imperialists and racists; the method to be followed might be either "legal" or "accidental."

No Justice whatsoever can or should be expected from imperialist "democracy." Free Huey Newtonl is not an appeal for mercy or a legal recourse; it is a challenge to the death to imperialism and racism in the U.S. that becomes a thundering battle cry of the Afro-Americans and of the peoples and combatants of Africa, Asia and Latin America, who have rallied together in a historic and decisive battle. The genuine freedom of Huey Newton will be brought about as the result of the revolutionary action of the Afro-Americans and the white people who are willing to run the same risks; it will be the result of new Watts, Newarks, Detroits and Clevelands. In this endeavor they will have the support and solidarity of their revolutionary brothers of Africa, Asia and Latin America.

Summary of the Minister of Defense, Huey P. Newton's trial

The first week of defense in the Huey Newton trial began with the judge announcing that he was granting an acquittal to Huey on the kidnapping charge for lack of evidence, and that all testimony of by and about Dell Ross was to be stricken from the record and disregarded by the jury.

He denied the motions for acquittal on the murder and assault charges.

The first witness for the defense was Tommy Miller, a black man who works at the Alameda Naval Air Station. Mr. Miller was one of the two passengers who boarded the AC Transit bus driven by Henry Grier. He testified he waited for the bus, which was late, at the 7th and Willow stop. He could see some police cars down the road, but could not make out what was happening. He boarded the bus, and he and the other passenger stood between the driver and the door paying their fares as the bus pulled out. Mr. Miller said he paid with a $5 bill and waited for his change, then took his seat. Then the other passenger paid. During this time the bus was driving past the police cars, and there was some commotion going on. They heard a shot, and Mr. Miller said they ducked down on the back seat. He testified he could not see any of the individuals outside because it was too dark, although he was sitting on the side of the bus where the disturbance was. When the bus was about a bus-length past the scene of the action, Mr. Miller stated, it finally stopped. They could see some action out the back window, but not clearly because it was too dark. Mr. Miller testified it was impossible to see any faces.

Henry Grier had testified that he clearly saw Huey Newton shoot and kill patrolman Frey in the beams of the bus headlights. He said the bus stopped with the men and cars in front of it and he could see everything through the front window and the door to his right.

A number of black witnesses testified toward having encountered patrolman Frey and related his racist attitudes and behavior toward them. Belford Dunning, a black life insurance agent, testified he had been stopped by another policeman in West Oakland when Frey pulled up. The other officer was in his police car, radioing. Frey came by, ordered Mr. Dunning to get into his car. Dunning repeatedly stated he saw no reason why he should and demanded to know what this was all about. Frey said "just get the hell in the car." Dunning said "You're acting like the gestapo" and Frey replied, "I am the gestapo." Dunning described Frey as hooking his thumbs in his belt, then resting his right hand on his gun, loosening it, lifting it in a threatening manner.

The DA made efforts to bar this testimony from the outset -- the first instance in a pattern of behavior of the DA in regard to defense witnesses. Garry would call a witness; the DA would object that his testimony was irrelevant; Garry would say that the testimony would prove its own relevance; the judge would side with Jensen; and all the jurors had to be cleared from the court while Garry was forced to prove to the judge that the evidence of this witness would be relevant. Needless to say, this did not happen with prosecution witnesses.

Other black witnesses who testified to Frey's racism included a 15-year-old boy who, a year ago, was stopped by Frey and held with both arms behind his back while another white man in civilian dress beat him. Three members of the Luther Smith family, who have been repeatedly harassed by Frey, also testified. All of these witnesses reported Frey having acted in a superior, belligerent and racist manner, cursing at them, calling them "nigger," "pimp" "black bastard" and the like.

Attorney Garry also tried to bring in testimony of Frey having used his terminology in a speech he gave to a class at Clayton High School in Concord, Frey's alma mater. But he encountered a witness too intimidated to talk. The witness, 18-year-old Tommy Parson, denied that he had positively said Frey had used the term nigger in his class or had spoken in a derogatory manner about black people. Garry tried to show that Parson was intimidated, but he denied this until Garry asked "Didn't you tell Mrs. Stender you were afraid your house would get bombed by the people in Concord if you testified?" and he blurted out "No, I didn't say that, my wife did." Mrs. Stender, Garry's associate attorney, then took the stand and told how Mr. Parson was willing to testify when she spoke to him over the phone. But when she went to his home two days later, he said he could no longer remember and wouldn't testify. Mrs. Stender told him she was going to subpoena him anyway because although she sympathized with him, a man's life was at stake, and she was sure he would tell the truth when he took the stand. She said Mr. Parson sunk his head in his hands and groaned.

Mr. Garry also told the court of new death threats against himself and Huey Newton, and asked the court again for a mistrial on the basis that Huey could not get a fair trial in this charged atmosphere. One letter, signed by "Four ex-marines" who claimed to have been good friends of Frey, said "either you or Huey Newton will be dead ten days after the trial" regardless of the verdict. Another was simply a typical hate-letter signed by the KKK, and commenting that they hoped Huey Newton got gunned down in the street if he got out.

Two people testified to the fact that Huey believed his probation to have terminated on Oct. 27. Donald Hopkins, former Asst. Dean of Students and Special Asst. to the Vice Chancellor at U.C. Berkeley, and a graduate of Boalt Law School, told how he met Huey in a bar early in the evening of Oct. 27. Huey had an unusual happy air about him and Hopkins asked why. Huey told him he was elated because he had just gotten off probation, which he'd been on for three years.

Miss Joan Lewis, a recent graduate of Oakland Tech, and a Fall student at Merritt College, told of going to a party later that night to celebrate Huey's getting off probation.

The testimony of these two witnesses was significant because the DA had maintained that Huey shot the police officers because he was carrying illegal material, was still on probation, and was afraid of being sent back to jail. If this was Huey's supposed motivation for shooting the police officers, it was relevant that Huey believed his probation to have ended. Nevertheless, the jury had to be sent out of the room and Garry had to "prove" to the judge the relevance of these witnesses testimony before he would let them testify.

The judge refused to allow the testimony of a white prisoner at Santa Rita, who was in Highland Hospital while Huey was in there. With the jury sent out of the room, Garry explained that this witness would testify that two police officers were stationed by Huey, who appeared critically ill, at all times. Often they would kick and shake his bed. Once one officer took out his gun and put it up against Huey's face while the other officer shook Huey so that he awoke with a gun in his face. The judge said the testimony was irrelevant because it occurred Oct. 29, AFTER the shooting. Garry explained that the defense contention was that the police were "out to get" Huey before, afterwards, and up to the present time. But the judge disregarded this.

The most explosive session occurred when Garry brought in three witnesses all of whom wanted to testify that the DA's office had tried to bribe them to get information. Again the jury was sent out of the room, and the judge again was clearly lined up with the DA. He seemed highly offended that anyone could accuse the DA of misbehavior, and was soon yelling at Garry. Each of the three, separately, testified that they had been called into the DA's office on the pretext of "running a disorderly house," were then approached by a man who identified himself as "The assistant District Attorney in charge of the Huey Newton case," and assured them that it would be "well worth their while" to provide information. All three black men said they had no information.

The judge at first was prepared to throw the witnesses out of court because the first man did not know the name of the DA assistant who spoke to him. But in the course of the argument the witness said he could identify the man by sight, and pointed to Asst. DA Lowell Jensen. The judge seemed very disturbed, and Jensen denied having spoken to them. The second witness at first seemed to point to Jensen as well, but later explained he was pointing to the man behind Jensen. The judge broke into a broad smile. But the third man pointed out the same individual. That man is Robert Bernard, Chief Investigator for the District Attorney's office. Both Jensen and Bernard are lanky, with sandy grey hair, and wear black-framed glasses.

The judge protested that there was nothing wrong with paying people to provide information, that it was done all the time, and told Garry he must do it too. Garry yelled back that he never paid anyone to lie.

The judge said he would decide the next day whether the three witnesses could testify before the jury.

Now the whole world knows that Huey P. Newton, Minister of Defense, Black Panther Party did not receive a fair impartial trial, etc.

LETTER FROM A BLACK SOLDIER

Brothers and Sisters:

I just want to speak on a problem which bothers us all. The problem is your Black Brothers in the pig's armed forces. I am one of those brothers who have the misfortune of being trapped in and into Charlie's service for exploitation. I said trapped, not to make an excuse for being in the service but to clarify this inescapable, unjustifiable action of forced service.

What are the alternatives to the drafting our people into the armed forces of White America. The alternatives are, firstly, to go when drafted to avoid going to prison; secondly, to refuse the draft and face the possibility, and for the Black Man, the probability of being sent to prison; thirdly, to leave the country and the Black Movement here in America; and fourthly, to enlist.

The last point of enlisting is the point which has to be looked at and analyzed to understand its implications. When a brother enlists today, for the most part he doesn't enlist today out of love for his "Country". We Blacks don't have any power in the Machinery of this government. He doesn't enlist for any love of this country because he hates the oppression that this racist power structure imposes on our Black Communities across the nation. No, he doesn't enlist for any patriotic reason. The Black Man is forced. That's what I said. He is forced. He might as well be forced at Gunpoint.

Because the brothers are forced with the threat of imprisonment, many chose the lesser of two evils, so we think, and enlist. There are many Brothers "in" and "out" of the Child's service who said, "no one can be effective in prison." But I have come to realize, especially with Brother Huey P. Newton's experience, that the above statement is not entirely true. However, I believe one has to avoid and try to stay out of prison for as long as he possibly can so he can contribute to the masses. But, we have to keep in mind, that the pig's will try to eliminate our leaders by killing and imprisoning those with the courage to speak out for freedom, equality, and justice for the Blacks.

Brothers, there are more and more Brothers in the armed forces who are risking imprisonment by speaking out against the injustices and policies of this racist power structure. Brothers are not as out of step as I have heard spoken on the streets. We are united against our enemy-the racist pig. We will not tolerate these injustices imposed on us, our families, and our communities.

Even though we are trapped into this mad dog's racist regime, we won't sell out our brothers, in doing that we would be selling ourselves out. Brother Malcolm X once asked, "Can any man be against himself?" I hope the brothers on the "outside" and "inside" understand even if they don't agree with what I have said. We are brothers with a common cause and we will be victorious. We are keeping the faith. We asked for you to have faith in us. Those of use who share in the Movement.

I come from Chicago, Illinois. I am sorry my eyes were fully opened too late to stay out of the service, but it's not too late to act.

You can print this letter if you want. My regard to our Black Panther Party.

"POLITICAL POWER GROWS OUT OF THE BARREL OF A GUN."

Garry's TV Interview

CALLER: I was wondering is it very usual or normal for a jury to split two cases or issues like Newton's having killed Frey and not having intended to commit murder on Heines?

GARRY: On the contrary, the other and only evidence, the only testimony to come in was the court reference to officer Heines, if you believe Heines himself and if you believe Grier's second testimony. The second he gave in the court as from the testimony he made after an hour and thirty-eight minutes after the event. The only thing to support the guilty verdict of officer Heines and not the one for Frey. You mention is this normal, well no it is abnormal. This case not being normal is very unusual, so I guess we can't apply usual experience to it.

CALLER: With this compromise thing if he was to have a re-trial wouldn't this have a different outlook on the next jury?

GARRY: There is not much comment on that if there is to be a re-trial. The only question to be raised is to deal with, is he guilty of manslaughter or not. I think it's a inconsistent verdict, a political decision, you can call it a compromise if you wish, but Huey Newton is not satisfied with the verdict. He feels he was innocent and he is completely innocent and he is not going to spend two to fifteen years in the penitentiary.

CALLER: Mr. Garry, I listened to the Ray Taliaferro show last evening and is it true there was no gun found on Huey Newton?

GARRY: That is correct.

CALLER: Well then, would you please explain why it took him two hours to get to the hospital which was brought out on the show, also.

GARRY: That isn't true, he was at the hospital before five thirty in the morning.

CALLER: Well, they were very definite last night and I thought perhaps in that two hour period he certainly had chance to get rid of the gun.

GARRY: The police were there on the scene at 6:45 a.m. in the hospital and the nurse testified she spent some fifteen to twenty minutes dilly-dallying before she would offer him any medical treatment.

CALLER: I am a minister in Oakland, I have a church on Grove Street. Mr. Garry, in any local city can the state troopers come into that city without request? Moderator: You mean Oakland police, caller?

CALLER: No, I had a special service at my church last night and the streets were crawling with those state troopers, the few city police that were on the street were in unmarked cars. After service, several of my members were questioned on different occasions, while they were standing there. And, they were state troopers. Now another question, Mr. Garry, do you think last night the law enforcement agencies were kind of panicky?

GARRY: I think Oakland police dept., some members of the Oakland police dept. are basically racist without any education in or on the need to eradicate racism. They are loosing their cool, so to speak.

CALLER: Good morning, Mr. Garry. I have three questions to ask you.

(1) What were the instructions given to the judge?

(2) What is murder one and murder two, and voluntary manslaughter?

(3) Can the attorney object to the instructions given to the jury right then and there or can he appeal them?

GARRY:

(1) Instructions judge the evidence given fore and he also gave degrees of the crime.

(2) Murder one is premeditation of killing another person, murder two is killing of another person without premeditation, but will fully. Manslaughter is a killing of a person in a heat of passion.

GARRY: Before judge gives instructions both sides present there views in what the instructions should be and the court rules over them in a conference which is usually informal at first and becomes formal later the judge decides what he is going to give and what he isn't going to give.

CALLER: Can you give an appeal on these instructions?

GARRY: Oh, yes, you certainly can.

CALLER: Yes, I would like to know why 500 police officers didn't show up today?

GARRY: I haven't heard anything about this.

CALLER: Could you also tell me why they had 2,000 national guards

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FREEDOM FIGHTERS

THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY SUPPORTS YOU AND ALL YOUR EFFORTS IN YOUR FIGHT FOR THE LIBERATION OF BLACK PEOPLE. YOU ARE NOT ALONE IN YOUR FIGHT AGAINST THE RACIST DOGS AND PIGS IN AMERICA WHO HAVE OPPRESSED OUR PEOPLE FOR SO LONG. NOT ONLY DO WE HAVE 26 CHAPTERS OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY ACROSS THE COUNTRY, BUT OUR STRUGGLE FOR BLACK LIBERATION IS SUPPORTED BY BLACK, BROWN, RED AND YELLOW BROTHERS AND SISTERS ALL OVER THE WORLD. ALL OF OUR BLACK BROTHERS AND SISTERS AROUND THE WORLD REALIZE THAT WE HAVE ONE COMMON ENEMY --- THIS RACIST IMPERIALISTIC DOG THAT HAS BEEN DESTROYING BLACK PEOPLE. WE WANT AN END TO THIS GENOCIDAL WAR THIS RACIST HONKY IS WAGING AGAINST US, AND WE WANT IT TO COME TO AN IMMEDIATE END RIGHT NOW! OUR BEAUTIFUL, RIGHTEOUS, BLACK REVOLUTIONARY, MINISTER OF DEFENSE HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER! THE SKY IS THE LIMIT! THE SKY IS THE LIMIT! NOT ONLY IN AMERICA BUT AROUND THE WORLD.

RECENTLY OUR MINISTER OF EDUCATION, GEORGE MURRAY, AND CAPTAIN FORD OF NEW YORK WENT TO CUBA AND THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS THERE SAID THAT THE SKY IS THE LIMIT IF THE BROTHER IS NOT SET FREE, IF OUR MINISTER OF DEFENSE, BROTHER HUEY P. NEWTON IS NOT SET FREE.

THE BROTHERS MURRAY AND FORD WERE RECEIVED AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BLACK NATION WHICH IS IMPRISONED IN AMERICA, AND THEY, THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CUBA SAY THAT THEY WILL GIVE US ANY ASSISTANCE. THAT US IS NOT LIMITED TO WE, THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY, BUT WE BLACK REVOLUTIONARIES WHO ARE FIGHTING THIS RACIST IMPERIALIST FAGGOT HONKEY. THEY REALIZE THAT WE ARE FIGHTING A POWERFUL FORCE AND THEY ADMIRE OUR COURAGE AND STRENGTH.

THE SKY'S THE LIMIT



Brother Malcolm Lives On

MALCOLM X COLLEGE proposed for University of Calif. at Santa Cruz Campus.

As long as the black man sat-in, prayed-in, sang-in, and begged-in for civil rights, the racist white man was contented. But as soon as he observed groups such as the B.P.P. being formed and supported by the black people, he tried various means of saving the non-violent struggle.

One of his latest attempts, took place in Santa Cruz County, last August. About 100 blacks and whites drew up a plan to "shatter" racism" in Santa Cruz County. Their plan was that the University of Calif. at Santa Cruz build a black-oriented college and name it after Black Nationalist leader Malcolm X. The planners believed the college, nurtured with UCSC prestige, would be a world center for black learning. The college would be run by blacks but would benefit both blacks and whites. The planners agreed to prod those in authority to build it.

Evidently the planners (who, by the way, were christened "non-violent guerillas") never expected that black people would recognize the hypocrisy in naming a school of this type after our great leader Malcolm X.

Brother Malcolm stated many times that we should keep the white man out of our meetings. But here, whitey and the Negroes are sitting together planning a school in the name of brother Malcolm.

The main black spokesman for this college, Bill Moore, said, "A revolution will come and only humane actions by whites can prevent the revolution from becoming a violent one." Malcolm X said there is no such thing as a non-violent revolution!

It would be a cold blow to our slain leader, Malcolm X, if such a school were to be instituted in his name.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL BLACK PANTHER PARTY OFFICES AND BLACK REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS.

THE BLACK PANTHER NEWSPAPER WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO SUBMIT MATERIAL FOR "OUR" NEWSPAPER (PHOTOS, DRAWINGS, ESSAYS, SOCIAL COMMENTARIES, POEMS, ETC.) FOR PUBLICATION IN THE BLACK PANTHER NEWSPAPER AND MAGAZINE.

BROTHERS AND SISTERS WE MUST MAKE IT OUR DUTY TO INFORM THE BLACK PEOPLE OF WHAT IS HAPPENING EVERYDAY IN THE DECADENT RACIST SOCITY. BY SENDING IN YOUR MATERIALS FOR THE BLACK PANTHER NEWSPAPER AND MAGAZINE YOU ARE MAKING THE PEOPLE AWARE!

YOUR RESPONSE (BY WAY OF MATERIALS) IS EXPECTED.

The Olympics

By Jay White

Bro. Harry Edwards tried hard to do what he has been trained to do. The Brother used his skill as an athlete to obtain a degree from the man; obviously he used his spare time to obtain an education. The Brother armed with the truth about this racist decadent society and a knowledge of the true history of the Black man had no difficulty in finding his role in the modern world.

The Brother began to show Black athletes just how they were being exploited by the oppressor. He showed them the power that they represented on the International level. He asked them to unify themselves and move in a political fashion to wreck the prestige of the Imperialists.

Some of the Negro athletes didn't go for the truth. They thought that it was possible to compromise with the pig. The Olympic boycott was called off. They chose to wear black arm bands instead.

This attempt to cooperate with the racists was simply one more exercise in futility. The United States Olympic Committee stated that any Nigger with a black band on would be barred from the team!

Well, Bro. Edwards tried to tell them Huey tried to tell them, but Negroes don't believe nothing unless they hear it from the white man.

MINISTER OF EDUCATION RETURNS FROM CUBA

Black Panther Minister of Education, George Murray, spoke to a crowd of over 750 Panthers at the Bobby Hutton Memorial Park in West Oakland. The Minister of Education relayed the goodwill of the worldwide revolutionary movement to the Black Panthers. He stated that he and Ford of the N.Y. Panther Chapter were received with open arms by the people of Cuba during their recent trip to that country and that the Ambassadors from many centers of revolution pledged their support to the Black Liberation struggle in America. Minister Murry also stated that the Black Panther Party is recognized as the vanguard of the revolutionary political movement that seeks freedom for all in this "racist, capitalistic, neo-colonialistic country."

Minister Murry said that it was very gratifying to see that the people of Cuba were aware of the plight of Black Panther leader Huey P. Newton. He said that there were an abundance of "Free Huey" posters on display in Cuba, and that the people of Cuba share our sentiment of "The Sky is the Limit if Huey is not set free."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

September 8, 1968
Berkeley, California

Dear Raymond Lewis:

I am thrilled that you have started that beautiful truthful paper again. I missed not having a paper that would hip me to all the happenings in our black communities.

I am also very honored that you put my poems in our paper. The reason I say our paper is because it is my people you are writing about, and whatever is mine is yours and whatever is yours is mine. Dig it! I am a Revolutionary artist also. Most of my works are of Huey. The reason I draw Huey so much is because I love him for the great man he is, and that's a natural fact.

Also I am interested in selling the Black Panther Paper on my school campuses and I would like to know if it is against the school laws to sell the paper on a High School campus. I am going to call the office on Grove street as soon as I get a chance.

A Dedicated Revolutionist
Iris C. Wyse
Black Panther Sister

P.S.
I have enclosed some more of my poems. I hope you like them. I am very interested in helping in any way that I can.

(Editor note: IRIS -- HUEY loves you too, black and beautiful revolutionary sister. And now the PANTHER LAW is the law of the land, because if those funky racists don't set our BRAVE WARRIOR FREE . . .THE SKY'S THE LIMIT . . . AND EVEN THE SEA'S GOING TO BURN!)

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Panthers Report Council Meeting

— By Gwenda Norris

(Berkeley) - Members from the Bay Area BLACK PANTHER PARTY were represented in a meeting of the Berkeley City Council, Tuesday night, to aid and support a stand taken by a Black Berkeley Councilman.

The Berkeley Council took time out of its weekly meetin session to discuss the lifting of the recent Proclamation of Disaster imposed on the city as the result of the recent demonstrations, upheavals and outbursts last week.

I was a part of the San Francisco delegation. As we arrived in the Berkeley Civic Center, we immediately noticed from 10 to 20 pigs carrying radio systems, being very kind, and overly upright.

Since we had arrived early, there was little else to do except take a front row seat and watch the pigs go through many uncalled-for changes. Despite the slight disorganization, i.e., questions from Brothers and Sisters such as "What are we here for?", etc., the council and the other pigs who had come to just watch, soon found that we were thereto do nothing but business.

At 7:05 p.m., the meeting was called to order. The pigs proceeded to waste time, insisting on such things as roll call, reading of minutes, presentations and last but not least, the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. Needless to say, the Black Brothers and Sisters present could hardly hold their places until the end and clinched their fists, shouting "BLACK POWER! PANTHER POWER! POWER!"

One hog immediately made known to all present that not only was he Mr. DeBonis, a racist hog, a fagot, and a prejudiced bigot, but he was also a very small and narrow-minded robot. For he called himself, "a pig."

The Mayor, Wallace Johnson, proved himself to be a reactionary pig, too, of course. At one instance, he became terribly upset over the fact that a young man, Mr. Bloom, (speaking for a Berkeley civic group) called the Berkeley pigs "hoodlums." He went so far as to even try to reprimand Mr. Bloom for his observation.

The high point of the evening came when Mr. Dellums, the Black Councilman, made a soul-stirring statement stating that Berkeley city officials made a gross mistake when they refused to consider the plight of the Black Community in proclaiming Berkeley a city of disaster. Mr. Dellums received ovation after ovation when he condemned the Berkeley Council for attempting to set up a fascit, police state, limiting the rights of the citizens. He questioned the logic of the division which, in reality, encouraged more crime and disorder, white racism and repressive actions.

However, Dellums stressed that the Black Community could not afford to overact to the emotional outpour of the incompetent white minds who handled the reins of leadership. Mr. Dellums was later threatened with hislife for his stand. His Soul Brothers and Sisters, ready to give their lives for his, escorted him to safety, and assured him that his Black Community also stood behind him and his statement with its life.

The event was followed by several other pigs with their reactionary and trite opinions. One of them was shocked at the fact that his life, too, was threatened by the white racists, police dogs who now run the power structure.

We left shortly after, leaving more than half of the house seats empty.

Needless to say, we were moved in a very positive direction as the result of the Berkeley City Council meeting.

BLACK WOMAN

By a Black Revolutionary

As I read and reread the words of love flowing from the minds of black men for the white woman, I ask myself — why? Are black men so blind as not to see the beauty lying dormant in the black woman; waiting to be discovered by the black man? Black women have exibited the extreme in patience, waiting for the black man to discover himself and then to discover her.

The roll of the black woman has been duel since the times of slavery. She has been the sounding board for the black man and his frustrations for 400 years; she has been provider and sympathizer for the black man since his castration by the white racist when the slave ships arrived from Africa. Yet today, they are still waiting to be discovered by the black man. The black woman is in a peculiar position. As long as her man is deprived of his manhood, she is deprived of her man and her full womanhood. She is alone; left by the wayside: her man has had a glimpse of freedom and has found that he has a [illegible] d of his own and has left her for what promises to be his Utopia i[illegible] a dead white world.

Oh, black men, how can you ever wear the cloak of pride when you are ashamed of whence you came? A black womb contracted to give you life. Where is your gratitude? Where do your loyalities lie? Wake up. Wake up from your sleep of 400 years. Come to the aid of your black mothers, sisters and wives. Black women are frightened. They do not see a way to escape the chains that bind them without the help of their black men.

The black woman should take a supportive roll in the bringing about the awakening of the black consciousness of her man. Her main objective should be to assist in the re-birth of the black man's mind. Her part is by no means small. She should let him test this new mind; let him feel secure in this newly found consciousness. In this way he can grow as his mind expands. He can then show his true manhood when he has patience enough to make black consciousness understood to his own first. There is no greater love than the love one can call his own. But to realize who is your own and how to react to your own, should be the ultimate of one's thoughts. It is a woman's duty to find the beauty in life and to unfold this beauty before the eyes of her man and children; to bring the truth of life out of the darkness and into the light. These things are stimulants to the blackman's mind, therefore, making it possible for him to function at his peak. Her main objective should be to learn and constantly seek a better way of life for her own.

In racist America all the black woman has had for an image to relate to is the tired and outdated caucasian female whose artificial beauty and values leer at one from the television and movie screens across the nation. It is time now for the black woman to use her own imagination and style. She must create and maintain an active image that her men and children can readily relate to. Black women are no different from black men in the respect that they have been taught to feel inferior also. But the mind can be changed if it is open to change. Today the black women is seeing the beauty that lies within herself. The natural beauty of her mind, hair and body. It is as though a seed has been planted and is in the first stages of growth.

To ask black women of the ghetto to make the transition from negro slave to freed black women in mind is asking quite a bit. For she has to make this change without leadership. Black middle-classed women have failed to attain means by which to uplift and reconstruct a viable coalition amongst the lower-classed black women in the ghetto. The black women of the ghetto should completely withdraw from the competitive image of the middle-classed bourgeois black woman. She should not cling to the warped values of the women whose only contribution to the black masses of the ghetto is dissent and confusion. For they are really confused. They cannot enter into the mainstream of the white society; they reject black culture and stand suspended in space. Minds such as these are of no use to the budding black minds of the ghetto today.

The young black women of the ghetto are taking price in themselves as well as their culture. And black people do have a culture, contrary to the thoughts of the middle-classed negro who reject their own thoughts thereby rejecting culture in the making. An artist is aware at all times that he is creating, holding and shaping, bringing something into being. It gives him great pride to be able to do this. That same feeling of pride is being shared by the new black woman of today. She is becoming a part of a new way of life being created by the black men of the "New" generation. She no longer looks upon her man as being helpless and non-productive. She sees him fighting for his freedom by any means possible, therefore, gaining a new respect for the black man, giving him added inspiration to break the chains binding him that were put there by the oppressor 400 years ago.

Words have power. The new black women is beginning to exercise this power by trying to find new ways of communicating with her men. They are using words that they both can readily understand to describe their unrest and profound disgust with the way they are forced to live by the existing, controlling power structure. They are also telling their men that they are ready to take arms and fight along side them for their freedom. Without the thought of freedom, the fight for freedom could not be; could not even be understood. Therefore, making it possible to accept something in place of freedom; a substitute of no value to the black mind. But once the thought process is put into motion and we think in terms of freedom and learn what it means, substitutes no longer have value. The black woman must extract from the minds of her men and children their needs, goals and aspirations so that she can more effectively play her part in this revolutionary struggle for freedom. Just being a beautiful black women is not enough; it is what the black woman can contribute to the black man that is important. The black woman must learn to function outside the home as well as in the house. Just simply being a wife and mother is insufficient, she must show an interest in her family and her immediate surroundings. She must learn to be separate; to stop trying to be like the dead white ghosts that are slowly dying. The black woman of today must create from her soul a better life for the black family.

As the black woman's mind changes so does her values. She begins to see herself as having unlimited wealth. She can create new life and give added beauty to this creation. She then becomes an artist, existing solely for the purpose of helping the black man to achieve the heights of his ambition.

I wonder how a black man feels when he gives great respect to the white woman? He denies her nothing. Yet, prior to the white woman he spurned the affections of the black woman out of hatred for himself. He is subject to even more ridicule because of his white mistress. If he can stand the pressure at this point, why can he not stand the pressure without the white woman? He constantly seeks to avoid the white man and severs all ties with the white world; but cannot rationalize away the white woman.

Negro women at this point become very disgusted with their men. Black women give them up as lost. This new class of black women find themselves more and more playing the roll of reformer. For they can see the need of reclaiming their own. Unlike the Negro woman, the black woman is not competing for the affections of the black man, she is secure in the knowledge of self and race. Therefore, she can be the reformer thatis needed in the 20th Century.

There is a definite difference between the Negro woman of today and the black woman of today. The Negro woman still reveals the self-hatred and keen competitive complex of the middle-class. This complex is the result of the frustrations which they experience in attempting to obtain acceptance and recognition by whites. The same white men that are seeking to hinder the growth of the Negro man and the same white women that are stealing the affections of the Negro man. Negro women are constantly critizing and belittling their men, whereas black women sing the praises of their men. In fact, it is very difficult for a negro woman and a black woman to communicate beyond the news of the day. And, as a reformer, the black woman is striving to close this gap between them. This is why the roll of a black woman in this revolution is just as important as that of the black man.

The black woman understands when she sees a black man and white woman. She understands that he is trying to escape the sorry roll that he has to play in a racist American society. The black man, as we have seen, is living in a world of make-believe to shield himself from the harsh economic and social realities of the American way of life. This world is created out of the need to be recognized as strong and capable black men. Whereas the Negro woman is decieved by this world of make-believe, the black woman refuses to waster her time with such delusions. She couldn't bring her man in out of the darkness if she is in the darkness also. The black woman knows that the attraction of the delusion of the white woman is enhanced by the belief that the

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OCTOBER 1966 BLACK PANTHER PARTY PLATFORM AND PROGRAM

WHAT WE WANT

WHAT WE BELIEVE

The program is usually divided into one section of ten points entitled "What We Want" and then ten paragraphs explaining these points in a section entitled "What We Believe." For the sake of clarity, we have put each one of the ten points in "What We Want" immediately above its corresponding paragraph in "What We Believe."

1. We want freedom. We want power to determine the destiny of our Black Community.

We believe that black people will not be free until we are able to determine our destiny.

2. We want full employment for our people.

We believe that the federal government is responsible and obligated to give every man employment or a guaranteed income. We believe that if the white American businessmen will not give full employment, then the means of production should be taken from the businessmen and placed in the community so that the people of the community can organize and employ all of its people and give a high standard of living.

3. We want an end to the robbery by the white man of our Black Community.

We believe that this racist government has robbed us and now we are demanding the overdue debt of forty acres and two mules. Forty acres and two mules was promised 100 years ago as restitution for slave labor and mass murder of black people. We will accept the payment in currency which will be distributed to our many communities. The Germans are now aiding the Jews in Israel for the genocide of the Jewish people. The Germans murdered six million Jews. The American racist has taken part in the slaughter of over fifty million black people; therefore, we feel that this is a modest demand that we make.

4. We want decent housing, fit for shelter of human beings.

We believe that if the white landlords will not give decent housing to our black community, then the housing and the land should be made into cooperatives so that our community, with government aid, can build and make decent housing for its people.

5. We want education for our people that exposes the true nature of this decadent American society. We want education that teaches us our true history and our role in the present-day society.

We believe in an educational system that will give to our people a knowledge of self. If a man does not have knowledge of himself and his position in society and the world, then he has little chance to relate to anything else.

6. We want all black men to be exempt from military service.

We believe that Black people should not be forced to fight in the military service to defend a racist government that does not protect us. We will not fight and kill other people of color in the world who, like black people, are being victimized by the white racist government of America. We will protect ourselves from the force and violence of the racist police and the racist military, by whatever means necessary.

7. We want an immediate end to POLICE BRUTALITY and MURDER of black people.

We believe we can end police brutality in our black community by organizing black self-defense groups that are dedicated to defending our black community from racist police oppression and brutality. The Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States gives a right to bear arms. We therefore believe that all black people should arm themselves for self defense.

8. We want freedom for all black men held in federal, state, county and city prisons and jails.

We believe that all black people should be released from the many jails and prisons because they have not received a fair and impartial trial.

9. We want all black people when brought to trial to be tried in court by a jury of their peer group or people from their black communities, as defined by the Constitution of the United States.

We believe that the courts should follow the United States Constitution so that black people will receive fair trials. The 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution gives a man a right to be tried by his peer group. A peer is a person from a similar economic, social, religious, geographical, environmental, historical and racial background. To do this the court will be forced to select a jury from the black community from which the black defendant came. We have been, and are being tried by all-white juries that have no understanding of the "average reasoning man" of the black community.

10. We want land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice and peace. And as our major political objective, a United Nations-supervised plebiscite to be held throughout the black colony in which only black colonial subjects will be allowed to participate, for the purpose of determining the will of black people as to their national destiny.

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That, to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that, whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and, accordingly, all experience hath shown, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But, when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security.



FREE HUEY NOW

GUNS BABY GUNS

Racism, Fascism, and Political Murder

by Kathleen Cleaver, Communications Secretary

THE SKY'S THE LIMIT



Editorial

White racism has been called out as the National Scapegoat for the opening stages of the Black Revolution we are witnessing today in the Report of the President's Commission on Civil Disorders. However, white racism alone is harmless as long as there are no white racists; white racists without political power and without guns are nothing but a sick nuisance to society. Although the President's Commission managed to condemn the racism rampant in white society, it failed to condemn the racists who perpetuate the existing system and even more miserably failed to provide any significant solutions for destroying racism.

SURVIVAL

The Black Revolution is a struggle for survival, first and foremost. It is not white racism but white racists who are killing black people in the most blatant to the most subtle ways, from shooting us outright in the streets like dogs to immobilizing us in the political hierarchies of the mother country's government. The black leader who moves for political power is dealt with on whatever level the Establishment racists feel he is posing the most threat: Thurgood Marshall was placed on the Supreme Court, Adam Clayton Powell was kicked out of Congress, Rap Brown is jailed on the flimsiest pretext, Malcolm X was assassinated. Whereas Roy Wilkins and Whitney Young are given the full range of the mother country's resources to gun their game on their brothers, Huey Newton must be shot in the streets and lynched in the courts. It is the guns of the racists, their bullets tearing through the flesh of our leaders that have to be dealt with. The leadership of the racists, the federal, state, and city governments with their armed forces dispatched to the black community with orders of "shoot to kill" is destroying the leadership of the black struggle in order to be able to deal directly with the unorganized, defenseless, divided black masses.

The present black population in this country, approaching some fifty million, is more united and more aggressive and larger than it has been at any other time in the history of this country, while the present white population is decreasing and its government is under seige all over the world, the most hated power on the face of the earth. The key to attaining the political power that our history and culture and strategic location guarantee us is practical, competent, revolutionary national leadership that can direct the masses to satisfy their basic political desires and needs in an organized fashion. What guarantees success to such leadership is revolutionary ideology, or an understanding of how to move systematically for power, a basic program, or an understanding of what to move for and when, and an organizational structure that can put this understanding in motion.

The calculated and systematic destruction of the leadership of the Black Panther Party and harassment of its members in the Bay Area follows a national pattern of political repression taking place at this time. In every black community across this country where there is identifiable organizational leadership exerted by the black militants, it is being jailed, framed, shot, murdered, [illegible]. These events are being coordinated centrally in Washington, D.C., and are all directed toward the same end: setting the stage for genocide.

The fact that this is an election year is the only danger imposed upon an outright fascist attack on the whole black community; public opinion must be catered to to a minimal extent. However, the near total control of the mass media -- TV and newspapers -- by the mother country establishment allows it to move in complete freedom against black groups in many cases. Although the activities of the police during the insurrection following King's death were highly publicized, the repression against the militant black organizers and spokesmen in black ghettos across the nation -- Boston, Baltimore, Washington, Chicago, Detroit, Oakland -- was not publicized at all. The assassination of King followed by systematic mass arrests and shooting of radical organizers throughout the country in April indicates a time - table schedule directed towards removing militant leadership from the streets by the beginning of the summer. This will leave the black masses in an unorganized, defenseless, divided state during the summer at which point the police plan to move directly against the black community.

MASSES NOT ASSES

As long as only a small fraction of the black population expected to have decent housing, food, clothing, education, employment, protection from harm, and some measure of dignity the system could afford to function comfortably allowing a small elite group of house negroes these benefits as the price of controlling their oppressed brothers and sisters, forcing them to be satisfied with their poverty, starvation, misery, and persecution. But, when the masses of blacks start demanding basic needs be fulfilled, the power structure is in trouble because it requires a basic redistribution of the wealth, the land, and the power in order to make this a reality.

The color line is the basis upon which wealth and power is distributed in this country; racism on the part of white institutions and white citizens forces black people to remain poor and powerless. All blacks have a ceiling on the amount of power and wealth they can amass that is unchangeable, that is maintained by the organized force and violence of the governments. Racism is maintained with armed force, on the local level by the police departments.

Political power, the control of the institutions in the society, determines to what extent racism is allowed to affect black people, determines how much freedom of action the racists have against black people. Political power is now in the hands of a racist leadership which is determined to prevent black people from satisfying their basic political desires and needs. Because this leadership wants to remain in control of the land and wealth and political power that rightfully belongs to black people. The present political leadership in the mother country wants black people to act in a manner that will serve the interests of white power and maintain white domination over the world. The leadership of the black struggle across this nation wants to destroy this control and restore the control of the black community to the hands of the black people who live there. This leadership is being assaulted and eliminated viciously because it threatens to upset an international basis of power; the black liberation struggle is an international power struggle against the white racist government of the USA.

DESTROY LEADERSHIP

Just as the Vietnamese people refuse to be controlled by the capitalist racist American government, and are fighting to retain control of their own country, black people in America are fighting to have control of their communities in their hands. With a potential mass of fifty million blacks moving together to control their communities across this nation, the first assault by the political leadership of the racists is to destroy the leadership of the black struggle in order to be able to move against the masses without organized resistance. Nationwide repression against militant black organizers and spokesmen has been escalated in the black communities in the past few months in order to stop the organization of the black community. Leadership becomes secondary once the community is organized in a manner to take power; but leadership is primary during the initial period of organizing the masses. It is at this period now when leadership is most crucial to the black masses in order to initiate their political organization that the federal, state, and city governments are moving most rapidly against black leaders. An organized black community united around basic political desires and needs as outlined in the program of the Black Panther Party is the only power that the state cannot destroy when the community is prepared to defend itself against the attacks of the police. This is the creation of black power, the first step toward obtaining control over the entire black community.

The advent of fascism in the United States is most clearly visible in the suppression of the black liberation struggle in the nationwide political imprisonment and assassination of black leaders coupled with the concentration of massive police power in the ghettos of the black community across the country. The police departments nationwide are preparing for armed struggle with the black community and are being directed and coordinated nationally with the US Army and the underground vigilante racist groups for a massive onslaught against black people. But, the billy clubs and mass arrests and guns are no longer just for black people; the white peace movement and the student power struggle is also beginning to get a taste of police violence. State power is being imposed upon the black community and the white peace movement through the organized force and violence of the police departments. Jails are becoming increasingly familiar with political prisoners, and the court system is being warped to serve the needs of the repression. With the economic and political system of the United States under violent attack world over, the national response has been a tightening of state control over all aspects of life and a vicious and powerful assault on all forms of political dissent. Just as the US Army is attempting to settle a political question of self-determination through force and violence in Vietnam, the city, state, and federal governments across the country are meeting political dissent with police violence. With the world-wide power of the United States being forced loose in Africa and Asia and Latin America, the racist leadership at home is moving to conserve and concentrate the power that is left and will viciously destroy anyone or any group that attempts to take this power away. Black power is totally unacceptable, and peace is economically disastrous.

'KILL THE NIGGERS'

The economic disintegration that is accompanying the world wide attack on US imperialism is weakening the political structures of the white racists tremendously, causing factions and the splitting of parties and generalized conflict and confusion. At this point the organized and unchecked power of the armed forces, from the Joint Chiefs of Staff to the local police chief in Oakland is the single most powerful bloc of political control in this country, unabated, single-minded, and extremely racist. This group controls the guns and military power of the government. And, these armed forces are being deployed increasingly to settle political issues; they will continue to arrogate decisive power until it gets to the point that they make political policy and control the political apparatus outright. With this type of government, this military power structure, outright genocide of black people will be initiated. There will be no protest, for to dissent will be to die. This has already started on a sporadic scale in the spontaneous but continued murdering of young black men in the streets daily all over the country. But the overt military dictatorship has yet to come. The very same solution that Nazi Germany proposed to the German people: kill the Jews to solve the economic and political problems of Germany will be employed in the US, with even less difficulty: Kill the niggers. Once the country pulls itself out of its disastrous defeat in Vietnam, it will be able to direct the full weight of its military power against the black struggle and settle the issue of racism and white supremacy once and for all.

NEW PHASE

The assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King at this point marks the initiation of a new phase in the advance of police power at the decision making level, a further step towards the complete police state. Dr. King was tolerated and even encouraged by the political leadership of the racists as long as he advocated non-violent means of gaining civil rights. He was not moving for political power, he wanted the power structure to make the decisions and take the action, and he was not disturbing the economic arrangements that the power structure was based on. But when he joined the peace movement he became a political threat to the Establishment because he held the allegiance of millions of black people. He had also began to move towards the alliance of the black with the brown peoples in the U.S. And when he deepened his crusade for justice to be based on Poor People, the final project that caused his assassination, the establishment was forced to eliminate his threat. For the crux of the political arrangements in this country are based on the distinction between the rich and the poor. The poor whites and poor blacks are exploited by the same white capitalists who maintain a racist antagonism between the two groups so that the poor blacks are always victims of the poor white racists, and the poor whites are so busy carrying out racist acts they cannot see that they are victims of the wealthy white capitalists. Both poor whites and poor blacks are powerless; racism prevents them from combining their strengths to gain a redistribution of wealth and power. Dr. King had begun to initiate organizational projects among poor whites as well as poor blacks shortly before his assassination. The proposed Poor People's March on Washington that he was planning was a major threat facing the federal government that they had been unable to head off or buy out. The assassination of Dr. King only four weeks before this march was no accident. The inability of the entire apparatus of Federal Intelligence and Police services plus the Memphis Police Department to locate and arrest the assassin as well as the complete protection his activities were given in Memphis indicates a conspiracy of the highest order between the Federal Government and the local police. The assassins of President Kennedy have vanished equally without a trace. This kind of political power wielded by the military establishment that is protected and even denied by the political leaders is highly dangerous. High-level decisions against the black liberation struggle are being transmitted into action by local police departments while the spokesmen pretend there is nothing they can do to stop the police. The white community is at the mercy of a secret police state while they have not yet figured out how to control their above ground police forces.

FREEDOM OR DEATH

The day when the state and its police power ceases to protect the community but in turn attacks the people of the community has arrived in this country. This is the first stage of building a total police state. Black people have always been subjected to police state and have moved to organize against it, but the structure is now moving to encompass the entire country. The elimination of black leadership -- from Dr. King to Eldridge Cleaver, Adam Clayton Powell to Huey P. Newton -- is designed to throw the black community into chaos. Intensified and concentrated police power in the black community is designed to regain total control. The next step is GENOCIDE. The black community faces [illegible] liberation or total extinction.

WITHOUT A PEOPLE'S ARMY, THE PEOPLE HAVE NOTHING

BLACK WOMAN

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white woman will gain him acceptance into the white society. The same can be said of some Negro women. They reject their blackness out of the need to belong in the society world of white America.

Despite the gaiety of the world of make-believe in which the Negro man and woman take refuge, they are far from happy. They are even more insecure, frustrated and rejected. For the freedom they sought in the relationship with the white world, was not forthcoming. So black men, stop and think; is not a real black woman far better than a make-believe white woman; the Negro woman? When you feel you have reached the ultimate in your searchings, look around you and take notice of the new black woman that is emerging out of the ghettoes of Black America today. The beautiful black sisters are proud of their heritage, proud of their men and have a great respect for themselves.

They have had almost no black female images to relate to, save Miriam Makeba, Kathleen Cleaver and a few others; yet they are not discouraged. They have the will to create a new image and to stand up for new ideals and beliefs. She has enough insight to see the new spark in the eyes of black men, and is trying to help that spark become a raging fire. All she needs is a little inspiration from the black masses of men in the world today.

There is another class of black woman in the ghetto that needs more than inspiration, she needs help. She is the mother of children who has been left by her black man that has removed himself from the home out of despair and hopelessness. This woman is left to fend for herself and her children alone. There is never enough food, money or clothing for the family. Yet society seems uninterested in this broken family structure and why the structure has broken down. This black woman is left alone to teach and raise these children to have racial pride and integrity. She does not falter along the way, yet the middle-classed so-called power structure rejects the thought of forming any kind of agency to come to their aid. Therefore, they are at the mercy of the exploiting white Social Welfare agencies throughout the United States.

These agencies cannot meet the frugal needs on an individual basis; therefore, these families are lacking in the basic necessities of life. The black Churches refuse to form Welfare Agencies within each community, therefore setting a poor example to the white world.

Black Social Workers within the white agencies see the need for added aid from the Negro community, but have not as yet banded together to bring about enough pressure to warrant any attention from black politicians who are supposed to have the interests of These black women at hand. These politicians and social workers are so far removed from the ghetto and its problems by virtue of there being no social status elevation for time spent looking after the needs of these women and children. They are more interested in trying to integrate into the already formed and established agencies such as: Big Brothers, Big Sisters and others that are controlled by whites. These organizations do not offer the basics such as food and shelter to these women in the ghettoes across the country.

In San Francisco alone in July 1967 an attempt was made to organize the black social workers within the Welfare Department and out of fear for the loss of their jobs they refused to band together for the interests of these people. Support was offered by leaders within the community but it was spurned for lack of a written guarantee that they would not lose their positions with the agency. As one can see at this point, with the lack of unity from within the agency, it leaves little or no room for concerned people from outside the agency to offer any type of format for reform. Consequently, the masses of black people looking towards this agency for understanding and help experience a breakdown of communication.

As this agency is composed of some 300 social workers, 10% of which are black, this leaves almost no representation of the needs of the masses in the ghetto. Even if this 10% of black social workers were to organize and form a united front, they still could do little to relieve these people of their oppressions. For these social workers are now too far removed from the problems of the ghetto area. They do not identify with these black people. As one black social worker asked after being approached by a black sister with a beautiful natural, "How can you go from one extreme to another?" This clearly shows that there is no understanding of one another.

After seeing how these clients are ill represented, a group of white social workers banded together and published a handbook that was made available to each recipient to read and to better understand their rights. But if there are not enough black social workers to see that these rights are enforced the clients are then right back where they started.

These black women therefore have little or no representation. They then have no choice but to look to the community for help. The black community is not prepared to service these women because they lack the proper facilities from which to operate. Yet these black women must, and are expected to maintain adequate standards by which they are to live. The husbands of these women can offer little or no support because the same system oppresses them also. Jobless, spirit broken and frustrated these men are forced to leave the home in order to enable the women to qualify for any assistance possible.

When will the black community as a whole rise to meet the needs of these men and women? It is not enough to talk of controlling our communities, we must control them. Meeting the needs of these women is a part of this community control. As a community effort the result would benefit the community in the end. The economy would grow because the black men and women would do all their spending within the black community. This would create new jobs for the black men and make it possible for them to reunite with their women, thus taking the responsibility for these families off the community directly. Indirectly, the community has gained strength, while helping their own.

The survival of these women and all people of the ghetto depends upon how the community moves. By struggling to eliminate the aforementioned conditions we are continuing the struggle of generations of black women who have struggled up from slavery to produce beautiful black sons and daughters to fight for the human rights of the black people. Because of their struggle to gain acceptance by whites, the Negro middle-class in the black community has failed to aid these women. However, many of the sons and daughters of these women have become of age and show a sense of responsibility towards their own by identifying with the masses in the ghetto. They are determined to overcome the handicaps of ignorance and poverty while seeking to remove the burdens from the shoulders of their parents.

These women will survive as they have in the past, but they need the support of their black men. And from all indications, the black man is beginning to awaken to the fact that their black women are deserving of their respect and love. So black women, dry your eyes, the dawn is breaking and it is a new day. Our men are about to wake up and discover the treasures and wealth of these new days and most of all YOU.

THE SKY'S THE LIMIT!



黑豹黨內幕

此次民權運動領袖金路德博士被刺斃命，全國舉哀，前所未見。但國內仍有不少種族歧見極深之人士幸災樂禍，拍手叫好。這些人其實不知，金博士可算是民權運動中之溫和派，一向主張非暴力示威，主張與開明白人合作。他的死，不但是黑人之損失，更是白人的損失。因為民權運動中，近年來興起了不少極端份子，主張縱火暴動，主張以武力爭取平等，主張南部分割部分省份讓黑人聚居獨立；主張黑人家家購械自衛；主張與白人警察展開長期鬥爭；主張美國撤回駐外國軍隊等等。而其中最令人注意的就是黑豹黨（Black Panther Party）。

黑豹黨總部設在屋崙高魯夫街（Grove St.），另有藏械之秘密倉庫，非黨員無法得悉其所在地。其黨黨員人數不易統計。其黨部刊物銷數三萬，主幹人員約在二百至五百之間。

黨組織甚為簡單，除總裁外（Bobby Seale），只設宣傳部長（Eldridge Cleaver）



黑豹黨自衛部長許牛頓。

案件仍未了結。本報記者走訪黑豹黨黨員，蒙贈該黨章程一張，列出十項要求，十項信仰，將在下期刊出。

PANTHERS WILL FREE HUEY

Garry's TV Interview

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in Alameda waiting for us?

GARRY: No, I don't know anything about that!

CALLER: Yes. I would like to ask Mr. Garry does the type of people that shot up the PANTHER Office indicate they were the type of people that were dealing with Huey on October 28th?

GARRY: Yes, that was the same type of people that Huey was dealing with on October 28th.

CALLER: Yes, Mr. Garry. Wasn't the Grier statement taken into any consideration. Grier said he saw Newton turn around and pull out a gun.

GARRY: But, he had made a statement at 6:30 a.m. in the morning of October 28, 1967, just the opposite. He said he did not see the face of the person and that he could not recognize the person.

CALLER: Someone pulled the gun.

GARRY: Yes, but the person he described was under 5 feet, weighed 125 pounds, and had a light tan jacket and he wore a hat, and he said he never saw Newton.

Late News Flash . . .

PIGS STRIKE AGAINST ELDRIDGE

OAKLAND -- As Brother Eldridge Cleaver, Minister of Information, left the Black Panther Party National Headquarters, the scene of the most recent pig outburst of violence against the Black Panther Party, he found himself being followed by a highway patrol pig car. Midway the span of the Oakland-Bay Bridge, the racist dogs finally pulled him over, ordered him out of the car and searched our Honorable Black Brother. Then one of the pigs spit on the ground, and snarled, viciously: "If we ever catch you with a gun, you better use it!"

Brother Eldridge gave a low PANTHER laugh. Suddenly the evidence was plain on their faces and in their eyes, that if Brother Eldridge had even moved so much as a muscle the pigs would have fainted of fear. Eldridge Cleaver's message was clear -- PANTHER POWER.

Stokely Puts Down Counter-Revolutionaries

A reactionary dog has been turned loose in Washington, D.C. His name is Lester McKinney, head of D.C.'s SNCC office. These are the facts:

Firstly, Lester is counter-revolutionary in that he opposes our beloved Prime Minister, Stokely Carmichael. His difference with Stokely is based on the solid fact that Stokely wants a progressive relation with the local people in D.C. and Lester wants a "safe" relation with the local people. This brother has never really related to the "black" people. Part of his hang-up is the fact he went to the pig's college and can't shake the white man's value system out of his bush. Brother Stokely, on the other hand, is very much in tune with the street people, because he wants to relate to the masses. I've walked the streets of Washington with Stokely and seen his love of little kids and old black people. Lester also was a close companion of mine. The difference, though, was that Lester never saw our black people in a soul sense. He talked more about federal financial help. I've been away from D.C. for a few months now, and the impressions I lived with have finally come to head. Unfortunately, when I called to D.C. the other day I learned that my former friend Lester had called in a very reactionary group, known as the "Blackman's Army of Liberation" to protect the SNCC office. Brothers! Sisters! when do any BLACK people need any protection from any other BLACK people. The ugly fact that these reactionary dogs known as the "Blackman's Army of Liberation" are protecting Lester's SNCC office is grounds for all revolutionary brothers in D.C. to strike out and crush their futile attempts. Col. Hassan, the tom-dog, who heads his pack, is a Negro of the highest level. When I visited his office in D.C. I learned that he has made working relation with the Washington, D.C. pig force. They (the D.C. pigs) like niggers like Hassan. He appears militant to the D.C. Blacks, but in reality he is nothing but a living dead man. His grave is already marked. But Brothers and Sisters when is a person dead in our community? Was the bombing of the SNCC office necessary? Will the people rise above the present reactionary State of D.C.? Let's deal with these points.

Brothers, a Black man is dead in our community wherever he stops revolutionary progress of our people. By this, I mean whenever one tom uses weapons to shoot at Black brothers who advocate change of the "status quo." Brother Lester has ordered the shooting of Black men and for this his nuts will be cut out. Whenever a Black man denies his ancestral past and resorts to western pigs, or their lacking for protection then that brother needs to be "offed." His nuts need to be removed.

Once we, as Black people, start to discipline our own kind, then the beginning of a Black community becomes a reality to the Brothers and Sisters who don't read Lenin or Karl Marx. Believe me bloods, when we start policing our own people, who work against the Black community, then the masses will respect our political directions. If on the other hand we get hang-up on the "honkie" or "beast" and not see our own weaknesses, then the man has fucked over us for 400 years. That's history! Now bloods let's deal in a revolutionary fashion and get this period together. The bloods have bombed and straped at the SNCC office in D.C. They wouldn't have done this if the D.C. SNCC office was Black. The fact of the matter is, that this nigger Lester McKinney has declared SNCC in D.C. as "Independent SNCC." How could a Black man throw out his political leader (Stokely) and expect the Black people to go alone with this? I'm from D.C. and bloods I tell you the people love brother Stokely. The FBI pigs are testimony to the fact. They use to follow him like he was about to go out of style. We (D.C.'s Black Revolutionaries) had to stay close to the brother at all times. His security was made up mostly of the masses in D.C.

Col. Hassan himself is a slick Negro, who runs a wig shop by day and a Black Nationalist group by night. His program is basically aimed against Zionism. He even works with white conservatives in the cause of exposing "Jewish world conspiracy." Imagine a Black Nationalist siding with a white, southern, red neck, racist, just to down the Jew store owner. We say as Black men, if ANY store owner is using unfair practices in our community, BURN HIM OUT. This group in D.C. will die by the total love of our black community. The reports you shall hear will be this:

(1) Col. Hassan and all his Black running dogs will be removed by the Black people's resistance to lacky imperialists.

(2) The opening of a center of real Black Power (Political powers comes out of the barrel of a gun)

(3) Mass support for Huey P. Newton.

Now that this tom-dog, Lester McKinney has called in his reactionary dogs we, the black brothers must deal with them. Let their folly and blood shed be a lesson for all Negro and Black reactionaries. WE MUST HAVE FREEDOM FOR OUR PEOPLE. If the forces of racist imperialism decide to pay a group of Negro dogs to stop the Black Revolution, then we must recognize this. When I was in D.C. I had to fire my M. Carbine at a few of these stooges. There are many BROTHERS in D.C., who have dedicated their lives to the cause of our struggle. It is only a nickle bag away from the end to Black Reactionarism in D.C. so bloods have faith and don't listen to the honkie press version of what is happening in Black D.C. I was right there when the April Rebellion unfolded. The brothers are BLACK, BLACK, BLACK, and together. The only way the pig can move in D.C. is through a tom motherfucker.



We Want Freedom. . .

In a time of world revolutionary struggle, we the masses of the world -- black people, must realize that "political power grows out of the barrel of the gun" and in realizing this, they must rise up in revolt against the racist, Capitalistic governmental establishments every place. The Black people all over the world understand that the oppression that is being applied to him is the main characteristic of this racist decadent American society that we live in, and there is no such thing as Democracy, but Hipocracy. And we the Black people of the world will not tolerate such governmental establishments as America, which is an Imperialistic, Capitalistic Establishment to exist any longer. As a direct disobedience to our order to get out of our community, which relates to our 10 point program:

(1) We want freedom. We want power to determine the destiny of our Black Community.

Now, after exhausting all our channels of means for peaceful co-existence with the Establishment, now with the way we are being treated, we say that we will fight -- WE WILL NOT GIVE UP -- and we will fight on again from generation to generation if necessary to wipe out our enemy -- the Imperialistic, Capitalistic, Racist systems. No matter where they may be found, we the people will rise up and stamp them out -- wholly -- thoroughly -- absolutely and completely. Power to the people, Black power to Black people and PANTHER power to the vanguard.

-- Charles Bursey

Statement to Reactionary Tom

Be aware that in the event of your being found idling with the white, racist pigs, muttering false please of self-denial, sputtering sick echoes of hopelessness, procastinating about being Black -- head-scratching, gibbering, grinning fawning, BOOTLIKING Uncles -- PLEASE be aware that in the event, of your being found idling, siding with the pigs, your ass, like the pigs, is ours!

You are a danger to Black people. You are a danger to all people. You are a danger to yourselves. Afraid to acknowledge your own insides, whitewashed, cringing in the face of adversity, clinging to false hope and promises, helplessly entangled in a web of bureaucracy and capitalism and materialism, grasping at dreams like hungry dogs at a bite of food dangling before them, held by a merciless slave-driving maniac, YOU ARE A DANGER TO THE WORLD.

Heed the word Uncles, while there is yet the possibility of your salvation. Listen to your souls, hear the low blood-curdling moans and groans and screams of your people. Just because YOUR children have food to eat and warm beds to sleep in, can you so easily deny the cries of your Black Brother's children? Can you so easily turn deaf ears to the roaches that are creeping? Can you not smell the rat pack's foul stench? Where are your own Brothers? Where are your hands? Where are your hearts? Where is your SOUL? Who has time to wait?!!

Wake up Toms. Wake up while you still have a chance. Wake up before Black Men, Warriors, Fighters for truth, call the roll and find you idling, siding with the white racist dog pigs, clinging to the racist pigs for protection. Wake up before we mark you OFF!

CHAIRMAN BOBBY SEALE AND CHIEF OF STAFF DAVID HILLIARD IN CHICAGO

The police state enforced at the 1968 Democratic convention was a display of naked force rallied by Vice-President Humphrey, a so-called "outspoken" liberal and a candidate with a "solid civil rights voting record", as well as Mayor Daley of Chicago, a "big boss" in the Democratic party machinery.

Chairman Bobby Seale and Capt. David Hilliard of the Black Panther Party were in Chicago speaking to crowds of 5,000 across the street from the convention amphitheatre. Chrm. Seale noted that while they spoke during the day on two different occasions, the pigs were careful to whip heads and crack skulls at night.

During the convention Humphrey was careful to say nothing about the nightly brutality.

Two days after the convention, Humphrey made a statement about the necessity of the police en masse because of two threats on his life and the Yippies threats prior to the convention to disrupt it. Chrm. Bob observed: "If no pigs were there, those dissenters would have swung the convention away from the administration forces."

Chrm. Seale said Humphrey, Daley, and the Demo big bosses brought in 20,000 National Guard and used the regular city pigs to intimidate the nation and the delegates from dissent. In essence: "with this brutal pig force, if you dissent, your heads will be whooped and your skulls cracked."

"The corruptness of the government shows itself whenever guns and force have to be used to quell dissent," Chrm Bob said, noting that "everytime the people disagree with the basic decisions of the power structure, it sends in its arms, guns and force to make them agree."

Chairman Bobby Seale and Capt. David Hilliard went further to predict that "the Democratic party is a dead party . . . and we assess that this country might not last five more years."

Inside the convention, the Demos tried hard to retain a sane atmosphere, with a token recognition of the "minority vote": Aretha Franklin sang the national anthem (dig it) a Hawaiian Tom presided over the convention, they allowed a Negro to make a tribute to Martin Luther King - which was rudely interrupted by the announcement of somebody else's death, the 300-plus frustrated black delegates tried in vain to nominate a black man, Rev. Channing Phillips of D.C., all the while the frustrated racist delegates continually disrupted the convention.

The brutal spectacle of the gestapo pro - Administration forces was broadcasted over the 3 major televisions, along with the absurd lie of the convention itself, giving the black people a "sneak preview" of the policies of the next President.

MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE

IT IS ALWAYS AN EFFORT TO PERFORM THE FUNCTIONS OF THE VANGUARD PARTY. THE TASK IS NOT AN EASY ONE, IT REQUIRES TOTAL DEDICATION TO THE MASSES OF THE PEOPLE AND, AT TIMES IT REQUIRES TELLING THE MASSES THE TRUTH EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE UNWILLING TO HEAR IT.

THIS IS THE SITUATION THAT CONFRONTS THE MEMBERS OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY TODAY. THE TRUTH IS HIGHLY UNPLEASANT BUT ONLY A FOOL WOULD REFUSE TO ACCEPT IT FOR THAT REASON.

SO WITH PERFECT FAITH IN THE WISDOM OF THE PEOPLE, WE TELL YOU THESE TRUTHS.

THERE ARE 15,000 PIGS MOBILIZED IN THE BAY AREA READY AND EAGER TO MOVE INTO THE BLACK COMMUNITY.

THESE PIGS ARE NOT HERE SOLELY TO MOVE AGAINST THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY, BUT AGAINST ALL BLACK PEOPLES!

THEY INTEND TO CRUSH ALL OPPOSITION. THEY CONSIDER EVERY BLACK PERSON AN ENEMY WHETHER YOU RESIST OR NOT.

THEY INTEND TO TAKE TARGET PRACTICE.

WE MUST PREPARE TO
DEFEND OURSELVES

WE CAN EXPECT NO HELP FROM THE POWER STRUCTURE. IF YOU DOUBT THAT STATEMENT REMEMBER THE PIG'S TACTICAL SQUADS AND LOAD YOUR GUNS. IT IS ONLY COMMON SENSE TO BE PREPARED. IN FACT, PREPAREDNESS IS THE STRONGEST REVOLUTIONARY FASHION!

THE VANGUARD PARTY DOES NOT ASK THAT YOU ACCEPT OUR WORDS, BUT PLEASE, FOR THE FUTURE OF THE BLACK RACE, CHECK THESE THINGS FOR YOURSELVES.

BLACK POWER!
PANTHER POWER!

WARNING TO SO-CALLED "PAPER PANTHERS"

Black brothers stop vamping on the hippies. They are not your enemy. You enemy, right now, is the white racist pigs who support this corrupt system. Your enemy is the Tom nigger who reports to his white slavemaster every day. Your enemy is the fat capitalist who exploits your people daily. Your enemy is the politician who uses pretty words to deceive you. Your enemy is the racist pigs who use Nazi-type tactics and force to intimidate black expressionism. Your enemy is not the hippies. Your blind reactionary acts endanger the BLACK PANTHER PARTY members and its revolutionary movements. WE HAVE NO QUARREL WITH THE HIPPIES. LEAVE THEM ALONE. Or—the BLACK PANTHER PARTY will deal with you!

Black Revolutionary Poetry



NOW IS . . .

NOW IS THE TIME FOR THE
BLACKS TO COME ALIVE,
FOR HE HAS BEEN FORCED TO
TAKE THE GUN TO SURVIVE.

HARASSMENT, HARDSHIP AND
PAIN RUNS THRU THE BLACK-
MAN'S VEINS.
FOR ALL BLACKS MUST FIGHT
AND POSSIBLY DIE TO OBTAIN
HIS RIGHT.

THE RIGHT TO DETERMINE HIS
OWN FAITH,
THIS IS WHY THE BLACKMAN
MUST AWAKE.

ONLY TODAY A DEADLY FOE
HAS BEEN UNLEASHED,
TO FORCE HIM TO FIGHT FOR
WHAT MAN HAS PREACHED,
THAT ALL MANKIND IS EQUAL IN
THE EYES OF THE LAW
BUT FOR THE BLACKMAN
JUSTICE HAS ITS FLAWS.

THOUGH IT MAY WRITTEN IN
BLACK AND WHITE,
THE BLACKMAN STILL MUST
FIGHT TO GAIN HIS RIGHTS.

TO END THE WHITE MAN'S
DOMINATION
TO END THE BLACKMAN'S
HUMILIATION
TO END THE SENSELESS
MURDER OF BLACKS, BE-
CAUSE MEANS
OF DEFENSE HE DOES LACK.

NOW IS THE TIME TO COME
ALIVE AND STAND UP AND
FIGHT
IF WE ARE TO SURVIVE.

FOR WE ARE BLACK AND PROUD.
THE SKY'S THE LIMITS WE WILL
REACH THE CLOUDS.



DEDICATED TO
HUEY NEWTON

Huey you are my love
my life and my pride.
You are my shiningstar,
and you are my dove and guide.

Huey without you
I don't know what I would do.
I know we will be together someday,
and then we can have our say.

Those racist pigs can't have you
I won't let them, before they can
take you
they will have to take me, and
they can't do that or else they'll
all be dead.

So you see they won't ever take
you from me.

-Iris Wyse

Why

There are few Black Brothers,
In the U.S.A.,
Yet every day,
More go away,
In foreign lands,
Fighting for someone else,
When they should be here,
Fighting for themselves,
Why fight until,
That war has ended,
And return to find,
Their rights have DESCENDED,
Pigs kill our children,
And kill our mothers,
Then ask for help,
From our Black Brothers,
Uncle Sam don't take our,
Black Brothers away,
Let the white man
Fight for the U.S.A.

Sheila Waldron

REQUIEM FOR A WHITEHOUSE

Today, I'll say
Before - your envious eyes
Bigotry, and childish fixation
on the
Whiteness of right,
Turn my mouth all SOUR.

Farewell, oh beautiful
Beautiful, country
Built on sweat
From whip-scarred BACKS

Farewell, to you
The chosen few,
And also you
In constant misuse
of BLACKS.

In this space here
Shall I revere, and
Before you cry
Your consumptive cry
Shall I;
In hand my pin
Construct you in
Your, apartheid
Anatomy.
Big,
Paranoid
Computerized
Motorized
Terribly cannibalistic
White controlled
SOCIETY

Yess
Farewell
New world, in this
Your dying HOUR,

-William Cary

BLACK MAN

Black Man
See my soul
It's in need of repair
It was shattered
by the Negro of today.
If by chance
you need a black woman
to follow in your
footsteps on your way
to becoming a man
amongst men in a
time when the air you
breathe is enslaved.

-- ELLA CORRALL

"BURN THIS IN YOUR MIND"

Today I saw a fallen warrior laid to rest in this cold and dark earth. I heard his mother weep and felt the pain within her body, the sight of her tears falling made me weep with her.

I walked in my brothers foot-steps and felt the earth shake with the falling of a great warrior, I felt the hot projected missile enter the beautiful flesh. Yes he died a warrior's death with honor and dignity and with great pride. He gave for you and I his most precious possession, and what shall we give him in return, he had the insight to lay down his life for his brothers and his brother's sons, what have you given that can equal this great gift. He walked tall this black prince and carried his load with pride and royal dignity, he did not hold back from his duty or the challenge which confronted him in the hour of his triumph. He had no fear, panic, or even doubt in doing what he did.

In his way he was dedicated to his belief that the time has come to be free as he was born to be, a man-child becomes a "Man" when he accepts the burdens of his people and strives to serve the cause of all "Black People" from all walks of life. The power of unity can and will conquer the oppressor and free the oppressed. We will strive today for tomorrow and reap the golden harvest of the sweetness of life and then we will know deep within our hearts that life and sacrifice are the necessary instruments as a means to achieve the ultimate goal "FREE-DOM."

Nothing is done in vain that serves a purpose

GRIER!

What must be done to cain?
This slayer of brothers;
Slaughterer of truth
This despicable inflicter of pain.

Will mere murder suffice?
Can just killing remove
This blot on Black honor?
Or must we prepare a more fitting
demise?

I say he must suffer!
This filthy, funky, white man's Doc.
Should be hung by his nut sack
Over a low flame
With volture's to devour his vitals
While the fire cools his brain!

The method's in doubt
But the Judas will die
So Lower him take his blood money
And pay someone to cry!

BLACKS UNITED

Black people together unite
Because we have to fight for our
rights.
My people are tired,
I mean tired of getting fired
And having no place to go.

We've been struggling for too long.
And we have sung our song.
Of "We Shall Overcome."
So now something will have to
be done.

We've weeped and we've died,
and uttered many a sigh.
We have played it cool and dug
all jive
Because that's the reason we've
survived.

But now the time has come,
And we're hip to those lies you're
puttin' down.
Now! We have picked up our guns,
And we're going to shoot you to
the ground.
We're not gonna' stand for all this
We gonna shoot to kill.
This time we gonna' aim and we
ain't gonna' miss
and then we are going to get our fill.
Dig it!

-Iris Wyse

As I am

Black Man,
Black Woman
Poor and ragged,
But proud;
waiting to be
accepted within
the Nation,
All knowing of
being accepted
within themselves.
Maimed in mind
and in spirit,
But seeking knowledge
of one God to gain
piece of mind to
show each one,
to himself.

-- ELLA CORRALL

The white man
and enemy
by all means.

We must
protect ourselves,
and that means
arm ourselves
and loved ones.

He preaches
violence is not going
to get you anywhere,
but who was the one
that taught us
violence, hatred, and disgust.

The white man
yes, you used to call him the Man,
Or Massa' Charlie
I call him first class
TRASH!

We must not let this
be an obstacle
in our path.

Don't let the man

FOOL YOU!

-Iris Wyse

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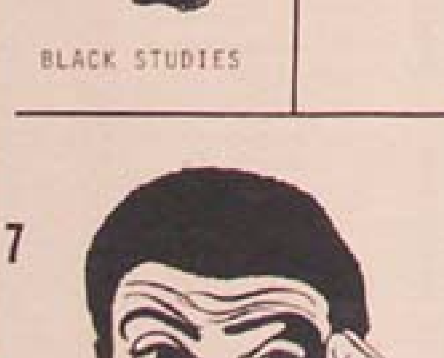
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